

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 L-03 SOE-02 AID-05 CEA-01 CIAE-00  
COME-00 DODE-00 EB-08 DOE-11 H-01 INR-10 INT-05  
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SSM-03 IO-13 PA-01 DOEE-00 /123 W  
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O 080915Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1713  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 3069

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ENRG, PBOR, IS, EG, US  
SUBJECT: AMOCO INCIDENT

REF: STATE 59041

1. REFTEL EVIDENTLY WAS SENT BEFORE YOU HAD RECEIVED  
DEFENSE ATTACHE MESSAGE 0588 OF MARCH 7. IT  
APPEARS TO US THAT THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN INTENT  
BETWEEN GOI AND AMOCO CONCERNING OPERATIONS OF DRILLING  
RIG 511: BOTH PARTIES ARE AGREED THAT ALL OPERATIONS  
SH  
LDGITAY WEST OF THE MEDIAN LINE. THE PROBLEM  
APPEARS TO BE IN DETERMINING WHERE THE MEDIAN LINE  
IS LOCATED. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE PARTIES  
BEST ABLE TO RESOLVE THIS ARE THE RIG CAPTAIN AND THE  
ISRAELI NAVY COMMANDER ON THE SPOT. WE RECOMMEND THAT  
AMOCO BE ENCOURAGED TO WORK THIS OUT AS PROPOSED BY  
THE ISRAELIS AND REPORTED IN DAO 0588.

2. PLEASE ADVISE.  
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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** SHIP HARASSMENT, OFFSHORE DRILLING, TERRITORIAL WATERS  
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**Decaption Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
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**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
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**Disposition Date:** 20 Mar 2014  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
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